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# OHIO

## WEEKLY CROP - PROGRESS SUMMARY

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### OHIO CROP WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

The average temperature for the State was 47.4 degrees, 6.7 degrees below normal for the week ending Sunday May 1, 2005. Precipitation averaged 1.07 inches, 0.31 inches above normal. Modified growing degree days were 20, 40 degree days below normal.

Reporters rated 0.3 days suitable for fieldwork during the seven-day period ending Friday April 29, 2005. Days suitable for field work is down 5.1 days from last week and, 3.3 days below the 2000-2004 five year average. Topsoil moisture was rated 0 percent very short, 0 percent short, 31 percent adequate, and 69 percent surplus.

#### Days Suitable

	Current week	Previous week	Since 1 <sup>st</sup> week of April
2005	0.3	5.4	14.9
2004	3.7	2.7	11.4
2000-2004 Average	3.6	2.6	13.0

#### Topsoil Moisture

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Current Week	0	0	31	69
Last Week	2	11	70	17
Same Week Last Year	0	3	53	44
2000-2004 Average	0	4	71	25

### FIELD ACTIVITIES AND CROP PROGRESS WEEK ENDING SUNDAY MAY 1, 2005

**Corn** growers have 58 percent of their crop planted, compared to 49 percent last year and 31 percent for the 2000-2004 five-year average. Three percent of corn has emerged. This is one day behind 2004, and is the same as the five year

average. Reporters estimate that **Winter Wheat** is 58 percent jointed, which is 9 percentage points behind last year and ten percentage points below the 2000-2004 five year average. Oats are eighty-six percent planted. This is ten days ahead of 2004 and six days ahead of the five-year average. Respondents estimate that 36 percent of oats have emerged. This is three days ahead of the previous year and 2 days behind the 2000-2004 average. **Soybean** producers have 17 percent of their crop planted. This is one day behind last year and one day ahead of the five-year average. Approximately 54 percent of the **Potato** crop has been planted. This is five days ahead of last year, and seven days ahead of the 2000-2004 average.

**Apples** are 94 percent in green tip and 42 percent in full bloom, compared to 95 percent in green tip and 56 percent in full bloom last year. **Peaches** are 91 percent in green tip and 53 percent in full bloom, compared to 91 and 57 percent respectively in 2004.

### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS

Wet conditions have stopped planting and other field activities. There has been virtually no planting throughout the state because of rainfall. No other farm activities reported other than machinery maintenance and grain hauling.

#### CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION

Not much mentioned by operators concerning winter wheat and hay fields, most of the concern is with the planted corn and soybeans. Winter wheat is rated as 77 percent good to excellent. Hay fields are rated 73 percent good to excellent. Operators are waiting for more sunny and warmer weather to green up these crops. Livestock are fine, conditions are 97 percent fair to excellent.

### PERCENT PROGRESS OF CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY MAY 1

Crop	2005	2004	2000-2004 Avg	Previous Week Ohio	U.S.
Apples in green tip and beyond	94	95	93	89	NA
Apples blooming	42	56	67	23	NA
Corn planted	58	49	31	54	30
Corn emerged	3	4	3	NA	NA
Oats planted	86	60	72	81	67
Oats emerged	36	25	41	20	40
Peaches in green tip and beyond	91	91	92	85	NA
Peaches blooming	53	57	72	30	NA
Potatoes Planted	54	44	37	54	NA
Soybeans Planted	17	21	14	15	NA
Winter Wheat Jointed	58	67	68	45	NA

PERCENT CONDITION OF MAJOR CROPS FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 1

APPLES	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	6	24	55	14
Previous Week	1	2	18	60	19
Previous Year	3	3	26	56	12
HAY	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	5	21	58	15
Previous Week	1	4	24	56	15
Previous Year	0	2	20	63	15
LIVESTOCK	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	2	15	64	18
Previous Week	0	2	14	61	23
Previous Year	1	2	17	65	15
PASTURE	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	6	26	53	14
Previous Week	1	7	27	48	17
Previous Year	0	3	24	58	15
PEACHES	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	10	9	28	41	12
Previous Week	9	4	21	51	15
Previous Year	6	3	21	56	14
WINTER WHEAT	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Current Week	1	3	19	56	21
Previous Week	1	3	16	56	24
Previous Year	1	4	22	55	18

WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING SUNDAY MAY 1

	Temperature		Precipitation				Growing Degree Days <sup>1/</sup>			
Region	Last Week	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.	Last Week	Dev.	Since Apr.1	Dev.
Northwest	46.1	-6.9	0.72	0.07	3.01	-0.44	16	-38	206	29
North Central	46.3	-6.4	1.09	0.50	5.04	1.64	15	-37	191	22
Northeast	46.4	-5.4	1.26	0.64	4.96	1.47	15	-37	172	6
West Central	46.5	-7.7	0.95	0.15	4.50	0.70	16	-44	223	23
Central	48.0	-6.6	0.96	0.18	4.77	1.09	22	-41	244	31
Central Hills	46.8	-6.3	0.90	0.19	4.61	0.95	16	-40	203	15
Northeast Hills	46.6	-6.9	1.11	0.39	4.48	0.96	18	-41	195	-4
Southwest	47.7	-8.1	0.88	-0.12	4.28	0.06	21	-46	250	18
South Central	49.6	-6.5	1.63	0.76	5.09	1.58	30	-42	275	12
Southeast	48.7	-6.0	1.22	0.42	4.84	1.31	27	-39	251	19
STATE	47.4	-6.7	1.07	0.31	4.53	0.89	20	-40	224	18

1/ Modified Growing degree days, base 50 - ceiling 86.

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